

OPEN SYSTEMS PRINTING

Abstract

A method for open systems printing including routing print jobs automatically from different types of source computers to different types of printers without the source computers selecting printers for each print job.

A method for open systems printing including routing print jobs automatically from an arbitrary number of source computers to an arbitrary number of printers without the source computers selecting printers for each print job.

10 A method for printing including controlling the printing of print jobs on high-speed production printers through a graphical user interface.

15 A print server for use with different types of source computers and different types of printers, the print server directs print jobs received from the source computers to the printers without the source computers selecting printers for each print job.

20 A print server for use with an arbitrary number of similar types of source computers and an arbitrary number of similar types of printers, the print server directs print jobs received from the source computers to the printers without the source computers selecting printers for each print job.

25 An open systems printing environment including a source computer connected to a first network, a print server connected to the first network and a second network, an output manager connected to the second network, and a printer connected to the output manager, the print server directs print jobs generated by the source computer to the printer.

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